Welcome to the Westport Parks and Recreation Department's instructional PEE WEE TENNIS program. This program has been structured and designed to accommodate ALL participants. Tennis Director Dave Kardas has planned fun and exciting activities for our pee wees that teach the basics of tennis in an enjoyable way.

ABOUT OUR TENNIS DIRECTOR

Dave Kardas is entering his eleventh year as the Director of our Tennis program. Dave is certified with USPTA (United States Professional Tennis Association) and USPTR (United States Professional Tennis Registry). He can be reached at the Longshore Tennis Office at 227-0271 or e-mail at yourserve@msn.com.

THE PROGRAM

The PEE WEE TENNIS program is designed for boys and girls, ages 3 - 5. Participants are provided with a variety of drills, games and activities in order to learn the basic fundamentals of the game of tennis. *Super Tots* will be offered for those 4 and 5 year olds who participated in last summer or fall's Pee Wee program and look to further their skills through more advanced drills. Regular Pee Wee classes will include basic instruction and a fun introduction to tennis incorporating USPTA Little Tennis along with other games and activities. A 21" or 23" racket is provided for the child. All classes will be held at the Longshore Courts.

Classes are offered in the spring and stretch out into the summer. Please consult your program guide for this detailed information.

DROP OFFS, PICK UPS AND PARKING

When dropping off, picking up or parking for any of the tennis programs, we ask that you please obey all traffic signs by parking in the assigned areas only. Children will be released only to parent or guardian. If someone will pick up your child other than the parent, **THE PARENT MUST INFORM THE STAFF IN WRITING** prior to pick up. We ask that you be prompt in dropping off and picking up your child.

RAIN DAYS

All instruction is OUTDOORS. There are no indoor facilities. Any day that the courts might be unplayable due to rain, it is up to you to call the cancellation line at the Parks and Recreation Office, 341-5074 to find out if lessons will still be held. Because the tennis courts at Longshore handle inclement weather well, we will wait until the last possible moment to cancel, about a half hour before the scheduled start time. There are no make-ups or refunds due to inclement court conditions.

WHAT TO BRING FOR INSTRUCTION

- Attire for the lesson should be a short sleeve shirt, shorts and sneakers with socks. If the weather seems to be cool, a sweatshirt, jacket or sweatpants would also be appropriate.
- ► Something to drink such as bottled water.
- ► Suntan lotion and hat to protect the participant from the sun.
- ▶ We will be providing rackets for Pee Wee Instruction. If you would like to bring your own, you may also. Recommended sizes for rackets are 21" 23".

GENERAL RULES

- ▶ Please be prompt and on time for your lesson. The instructors will not wait for you to begin.
- ▶ All participants are expected to respect each other and all staff. Discipline problems will not be tolerated and are grounds for immediate dismissal from the program with no refund.
- ▶ At the end of each lesson, please be sure to pick up all belongings. There is no lost and found.

The Westport Parks and Recreation Department wants this to be an enjoyable experience for all participants. We ask that parents please take the time to read this information with their child so he/she understands all the rules and regulations.